



# ACADIANA AREA HUMAN SERVICES DISTRICT

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### Board Meeting Minutes

#### Tyler Behavioral Health Clinic

September 28, 2016

**Members Present:** Rob Eastin (Evangeline Parish); Ryan Verret (St. Martin Parish); Janise Hardy (Vermilion Parish); Claire Daly (Governor Appointment/Iberia Parish); Micah Moscovis (St. Landry Parish); Elizabeth West (Governor Appointment/Evangeline Parish); John Stefanski (Acadia Parish)

**Members Absent:** David Merrill (Governor Appointment/Iberia Parish); Mary Neiheisel (Lafayette Parish); Darla Louviere (Iberia Parish)

**Employees:** Brad Farmer, Executive Director; Monica Echeverria, Administrative Assistant;

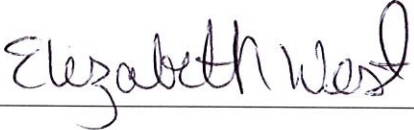
**Others:**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Call to Order		Call to order by Rob Eastin, Chair, at 3:35p.m.
Roll Call	7 board members personally present.	
Quorum	7 board members personally present.	Secretary announced a Quorum present.
Approval of the Consent Agenda for September 28 2016	Janise Hardy / Micah Moscovis moved/seconded approval of the Consent Agenda for September 28, 2016.  Brad Farmer requested some corrections with the August 31, 2016 minutes. Janise Hardy / Micah Moscovis moved/seconded to accept the amended minutes with the requested changes.	Motion passed unanimously  Motion passed unanimously
Solicit Public Comment Requests	Public Notices were posted at the AAHSD clinics and on the website. Open meeting laws are available.	

Public Comments/Input	No public comments.	
<p>Agenda Calendar Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board-Executive Director Linkage</li> <li>a. Accountability of the Executive Director</li> <li>b. Delegation to the Executive Director</li> </ul>	<p>Brad Farmer presented AAHSD policies and documentation as evidence to demonstrate the leadership structure and responsibilities of the Executive Director.</p> <p>Janise Hardy / John Stefanski moved/ seconded that the Board is operating in compliance with this policy.</p> <p>Brad Farmer presented AAHSD policies and documentation as evidence to demonstrate the leadership structure and responsibilities of the Executive Director.</p> <p>Janise Hardy / John Stefanski moved/ seconded that the Board is operating in compliance with this policy.</p>	<p>Motion passed unanimously</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p>
<p>Comments from Ex. Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Flooding/Disaster Relief <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Crisis Counseling Program</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Brad Farmer informed the board that AAHSD is working with The Family Tree – a community based organization -- for the Crisis Counseling Program being funded by FEMA. These counselors will go door to door in the Acadiana region asking people if they need help and assisting them in finding the resources they may need to acquire the help they desire. Because of the size of the disaster in this area and the number of FEMA applications there could potentially be up to 50 crisis workers in this area. Family Tree will monitor the crisis counselors on a day to day basis, while AAHSD will only be responsible for monitoring them on a month to month basis to make sure things such as their paperwork and billing is done.</p>	

b. OCDD CEA	<p>Brad Farmer informed the board that the Office of Citizens with Developmental Disabilities has entered a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for a new project that the State has begun for the NOW (New Opportunity Waiver) waivers. With approximately 14,000 people on the waiting list to receive a waiver, the State is going back and double checking the list. AAHSD will be going into contract with two local organizations that provide the necessary tools, such as SUN (Screening of Urgency Need), and training to accomplish this task in our district. An attempt will be made to contact each individual on the list from the Acadiana district and for every needs assessment that is completed and entered into a database the State will be billed \$274.76. The agencies that do the work will receive 90 percent of that funding, while the other 10 percent will go to the district for monitoring this. With this project, the district stands the chance of receiving \$50,000. This initiative will also help make sure the waiver list is accurate and current.</p>	Brad will forward the CEA to all the Board members
c. OBH/MRT training update	<p>Brad Farmer informed the board that the AAHSD had been asked to sponsor training for Moral Reconciliation Therapy, which is evidence based practice primarily used in the criminal justice system and substance abuse treatment. The 32 hours of training took place at the sheriff's office and had 115 people in attendance. The district sent about 15 employees to this training at no cost. The administrative fee off of this is about \$15,000 for AAHSD.</p>	

<p>d. Project Launch</p>	<p>Brad Farmer shared with the board that AAHSD hosted training for the Office of Public Health dealing primarily with early childhood or infant mental health.</p> <p>A luncheon was held at the Tyler BHC for about 20 different individuals that are a part of the network for early childhood mental health. Some of the AAHSD staff was able to attend the event as well.</p>	
<p>Board Member Advocacy (Activity) Reports</p> <p>a. Program numbers review/comments</p>	<p>The board received numbers for how many clients have been seen at each clinic for August 2016 at each clinic, number of admissions and discharges for August 2016, the wait time at each clinic as of September 23, 2016, and the number of clients seen in each parish from December 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016. Unlike at the August meeting, the board was also supplied with numbers for the amount of free medication through PAP (Patient Assistance Programs). Brad Farmer reported that the number of free medication going out had dropped since last year due to Medicaid expansion.</p>	
<p>Comments from Chair</p>	<p>Rob Eastin reported that the program reports and numbers that have been provided to the board has been a good start. Eastin feels that good information has been provided and that what is being provided can be fine tuned if the board decides.</p>	
<p>Date, Time &amp; Location of Next Meeting</p>	<p>Date and Time: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 @ 3:30pm</p> <p>Location : Tyler BHC 302 Dulles Drive Lafayette, LA 70506</p>	

Adjournment	Claire Daly/ John Stefanski moved/ seconded adjournment.	Meeting adjourned at 4:48pm
Submitted by Secretary		Secretary, AAHSD Board of Directors